GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
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PETROL PUMPS TO SCS/STS IN HARYANA
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria fixed by the Government for allotment of Petrol Pumps to persons belonging to SCs/STs category;

(b) whether the Government have received representation regarding violation of the criteria;

(c) if so, total number of representations received from various districts of Haryana; and

(d) the number of Petrol Pumps allotted in various districts of Haryana in violation offixed criteria and action taken by the Government on the representations?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN)

(a): In the guidelines for selection of dealers/ distributors, the following criteria were prescribed for selection of dealers for retail outlet dealerships (petrol pumps) under the Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe category:-

i) The candidates should belong to castes/tribes recognized as Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes under the constitution of India
ii) The minimum age should be 21 years and the maximum 60 years.
iii) The minimum educational qualification is matriculation or recognized equivalent.
iv) The candidates should be residents of the district of the advertised location or its adjoining districts as mentioned in the advertisement with preference to the residents of the district where the dealership is to be located.
v) The gross annual income of the candidate should not exceed Rs.2 lakh.
vi) No person would be awarded a new dealership, if he/she or any of his/her close relatives (including step relatives), i.e., spouse, father/mother (not applicable to a married female applicant who is not dependent on her father/mother), brother/brother`s wife (not applicable to a married female applicant who is not dependent on her brother/brother`s wife) and son/daughter-in-law already hold a `Letter of Intent` or a dealership/distributorship of any oil company.
vii) Unsound persons were not eligible.
viii) A candidate convicted of any criminal offence involving moral turpitude/economic offence (other than freedom struggle) would not be eligible.

(b) to (d): The complaints received regarding violation of the criteria in the selection of dealers under the SC/ST category in the country, including Haryana, are investigated as per the provisions of the guidelines.